

# **RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY**

## **MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

**19 September 2007**

**A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.**

**Board members in attendance were:                      Board members not in attendance were:**

**Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman      Andrew Molak, DMD**

**Michael Rubinstein, DDS, Vice-Chairman      John Smith**

**Kathleen Gazzola, RDH, Secretary**

**Joseph Box, DMD**

**Mary Lou Buonaccorsi**

**Richard Glick, DDS**

**Christine Benoit, DMD**

**Susan Perlini, RDH**

**Bernard Manchester**

**Staff members in attendance were:      Others in attendance were:**

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator      Craig Van Dongen, President, RIDA**

**Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel**

**The Chairman, called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 25 July 2007 meeting. Upon motion of Kathleen Gazzola, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.**

**Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:**

**Dr. Glick reported that the following candidates had been licensed since the last meeting:**

**Dental Licenses Issue:**

**Eric M. George, DMD Nat. Boards/WREB–Licensed in KS & NH**

**James Gerweck, DMD Nat. Boards/NERB-Licensed in MA & OR**

**Caroline Danish, DDS Nat. Boards/NERB (2007)**

**At this time the Chairman called for a motion to approve the licensure of the aforementioned individuals. Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals.**

**Sub-Committee for Dental Hygiene Licensure**

**Mrs. Gazzola reported that the following individuals had been issued dental hygiene licenses and or local anesthesia permits since the last meeting.**

**DH LicensesW/ Local Anesthesia Perrmits Issued since last meeting:**

**Mark Frias, RDH National Board & NERB 2007**

**DH Local Anesthesia Permits Issued since last meeting**

**Lisa McLaughlin, RDH NERB 2007**

**Joyce A. Moore, RDH NERB 2007**

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**Upon motion of Dr. Rubinstein, seconded by Dr. Benoit, the Board approved the licensure and certification of the aforementioned individuals.**

**The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Mrs. Gazzola, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 8:35 a.m.**

**Dr. Van Dongen recused himself from the meeting at this time.**

**The Board returned to “Open Session” at 8:40 a.m.**

**At this time, Dr. Van Dongen returned to the open meeting.**

**Dr. Levin requested that any decisions ratified as well as, any public business discussed during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, to be disclosed in the “Open Meeting”.**

### **Decisions Ratified in Closed Session**

**There were no actions taken during Closed Session be reported.**

**No further public business was discussed in Closed Executive Session.**

### **Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes**

**The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 25 July 2007 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. Box, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the closed minutes of 25 July 2007.**

**Board members reviewed the Annual ADEX Report. After review Mrs. Gazzola expressed her concern with regard to calibration, time, and the expense of the examination. The Board shared her concerns and she will address these issues at the upcoming ADEX Steering Committee meeting. It was further noted that Dr. Francis Connor will continue to represent Rhode Island on the ADEX House of Representatives.**

**The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 17 October 2007 in the Director’s Conference Room 401.**

**The Chairman advised the Board of the upcoming licensure fee increases. He assured the Board that this increase is for all professional licenses regulated by the Department. The increase is set at thirty percent (rounded up to the nearest ten dollars).**

**Members were provided with a copy of the “2008” meeting schedule. The Administrator also provided a copy of the application for the new license category of “Volunteer” created by legislation enacted during the last legislative session. This license type is specifically for retired dentists/dental hygienists.**

**Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Mr. Manchester, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman**

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